

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus managing a first service of distributing contents ~~[[of]]~~ and a second service of providing a group chat space, the contents being provided to the server by a first terminal, the contents being distributed by the server in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a plurality of second terminal terminals requesting the use of the first service and the use of ~~[[a]]~~ the second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

an acquiring unit configured to acquire reservation information, sent by the first terminal~~[[,]]~~ to the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server, from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the plurality of second terminal terminals, the plurality of second terminal terminals receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a corresponding second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server, the distribution notice including authentication data;

a generation unit configured to generate ~~[[the]]~~ a group chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and

a providing unit configured to provide the group chat space to the first terminal and the plurality of second terminal terminals coincident with the first service, the plurality of second terminal terminals accessing the group chat space and first service in accordance with authentication data of the received distribution notice upon a first contact with the server.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): An information processing ~~apparatus~~ server according to Claim 1,

wherein the generation unit deletes the group chat space a predetermined time after a distribution end time.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): An information processing method for an information processing ~~apparatus~~ server managing a first service of distributing contents ~~[[of]]~~ and a second service of providing a group chat space, the contents being provided to the server by a first terminal, the contents being distributed by the server in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a plurality of second terminal terminals requesting the use of the first service and the use of ~~[[a]]~~ the second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal~~[[,]]~~ to the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server, from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the plurality of second terminal terminals, the plurality of second terminal terminals receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a corresponding second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server, the distribution notice including authentication data;

generating the group chat space corresponding to ~~[[the]]~~ a group reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

providing the group chat space to the first terminal and the plurality of second terminal terminals coincident with the first service, the plurality of second terminal terminals accessing the group chat space and first service in accordance with authentication data of the received distribution notice upon a first contact with the server.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A recording medium storing a computer-readable program for an information processing ~~apparatus~~ server managing a first service of distributing contents ~~[[of]]~~ and a second service of providing a group chat space, the contents being provided to the server by a first terminal, the contents being distributed by the server in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals requesting the use of the first service and the use of ~~[[a]]~~ the second service of ~~providing a chat space~~, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal~~[[,]]~~ to the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals, the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a corresponding second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server, the distribution notice including authentication data;

generating the group chat space corresponding to ~~[[the]]~~ a group reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

providing the group chat space to the first terminal and the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals coincident with the first service, the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals accessing the group chat space and first service in accordance with authentication data of the received distribution notice upon a first contact with the server.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A computer readable carrier including computer program instructions to cause a computer to implement a method of managing a first service of distributing contents ~~[[of]]~~ and a second service of providing a group chat space, the

contents being provided to the server by a first terminal, the contents being distributed by the server in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals requesting the use of the first service and the use of ~~[[a]] the second service of providing a chat space,~~ comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal~~[[,]]~~ to the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server, from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals, the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a corresponding second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing ~~apparatus~~ server, the distribution notice including authentication data;

generating the group chat space corresponding to ~~[[the]]~~ a group reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

providing the group chat space to the first terminal and the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals coincident with the first service, the plurality of second ~~terminal~~ terminals accessing the group chat space and first service in accordance with authentication data of the received distribution notice upon a first contact with the server.